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LEOMINSTER & WIGMORE RURAL DISTRICT

Herefordshire

Joint

A N N U A L R E P O R T

of the

Medical Officer of Health

and of the

Public Health Inspector

for the year 1966

(As at 31st December 1966)

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Clerk of the Council .. J.R. ELEY, A.I.A.C.

To the Chairman and Members of the Leominster and Wigmore
Rural District Council.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in presenting my annual report for the year 1966, together with the report of the Public Health Inspector.

I have no particular comment to make on the statistical section, which, as a whole, is in line with the National experience. Minor variations do occur, but are not significant.

I would like to thank Mr. Emerson for his work during the year and for his excellent report on it which contains a great deal of useful information and a number of opinions on future policy in relation to cesspool emptying and refuse collection among other matters, which should bear consideration by the Council.

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STATISTICS AND VITAL STATISTICS OF THE AREA

Area (in acres)	94,101
Estimated mid-year home population	9,580
Average number of persons per acre102
Number of inhabited houses	3,280
Average number of inhabited houses per acre	0.03
Average number of persons per house	3.0
Rateable Value	£204,924
Sum represented by a Penny Rate	£765

LIVE AND STILL BIRTHSLive Births

	Males	Females	Total
Legitimate	80	70	150
Illegitimate	2	1	3
	<hr/> 82	<hr/> 71	<hr/> 153

Live Birth Rate per 1,000 estimated mid-year home population:

Comparability factor: 1.16	1966	1965	1964	1963	1962
Leominster & Wigmore R.D. (Crude)	16.0	17.1	16.9	17.8	15.2
" " " (Adjusted)	18.6	19.8	19.6	20.6	17.8
England and Wales	17.7	18.0	18.4	18.2	18.0

Illegitimate Live Births

Per cent of total live births:

Leominster & Wigmore R.D. ...	2.0
England and Wales ..	*

Still Births

	Males	Females	Total
Legitimate	-	-	-
Illegitimate	-	-	-

Still Birth Rate per 1,000 total live and still births:

	1966	1965	1964	1963	1962
Leominster & Wigmore R.D.	Nil	18.1	29.9	11.6	20.1
England and Wales	15.4	15.7	16.3	17.2	18.1

*figure not yet available

INFANT DEATH RATESEarly Neonatal MortalityDeaths of Infants under 1 week old

	Males	Females	Total
Legitimate	1	3	4
Illegitimate	-	-	-

Early Neonatal Mortality Rate per 1,000 live births:

Leominster & Wigmore R.D.	..	26.2
England and Wales	..	11.1

Neonatal MortalityDeaths of Infants under 4 weeks old

	Males	Females	Total
Legitimate	1	3	4
Illegitimate	-	-	-

Neonatal Mortality Rate per 1,000 live births:

Leominster & Wigmore R.D.	..	26.2
England and Wales	..	12.9

Perinatal MortalityStill Births and Deaths of Infants under 1 week old

	Males	Females	Total
Legitimate	1	3	4
Illegitimate	-	-	-

Perinatal Mortality Rate per 1,000 live and still births:

Leominster & Wigmore R.D.	..	26.2
England and Wales	..	26.3

Infant MortalityDeaths of Infants under 1 year of age

	Males	Females	Total
Legitimate	2	3	5
Illegitimate	-	-	-

Infant Mortality Rate per 1,000 related live births:

		1966	1965	1964	1963	1962
Leominster & Wigmore R.D.	(Total	32.7	18.4	18.5	11.7	13.7
	(Legitimate	33.3	18.9	13.2	6.3	14.1
	(Illegitimate	Nil	Nil	90.9	76.9	Nil
England & Wales	(Total	19.0	19.0	19.9	21.1	21.6
	(Legitimate	*	*	19.4	20.8	21.3
	(Illegitimate	*	*	26.3	26.0	27.2

MATERNAL MORTALITY

Total number of Maternal Deaths .. Nil

Maternal Mortality Rate per 1,000 live and still births:

Leominster & Wigmore R.D. .. Nil
England and Wales .. 0.26

DEATHS

	Males	Females	Total
Total number of deaths from all causes:	68	61	129
Death Rate per 1,000 estimated mid-year home population:			
Comparability factor: 0.89	1966	1965	1964 1963 1962
Leominster & Wigmore R.D. (Crude)	13.5	9.9	10.7 13.4 12.3
" " " (Adjusted)	12.0	8.6	9.5 11.9 11.2
England and Wales	11.7	11.5	11.3 12.2 11.9

Cancer

	Males	Females	Total
Total deaths from Malignant Disease:	16	8	24

Cancer Death Rate per 1,000 estimated mid-year home population:

	1966	1965	1964	1963	1962
Leominster & Wigmore R.D.	2.51	1.46	1.57	2.71	2.19
England and Wales	2.25	2.23	2.20	2.17	2.18

Cardio-Vascular Disease

	Males	Females	Total		
Total deaths from Cardio-Vascular Disease:	34	30	64		
Cardio-Vascular Disease Death Rate per 1,000 estimated mid-year home population:					
	1966	1965	1964	1963	1962
Leominster & Wigmore R.D.	6.68	5.02	6.27	6.58	7.93
England and Wales	5.97	5.95	5.73	5.22	6.14

*figures not yet available

DEATHSRespiratory Disease (excluding Tuberculosis)

	Males	Females	Total		
Total deaths from Respiratory Disease:	10	11	21		
Respiratory Disease Death Rate per 1,000 estimated mid-year home population:					
	1966	1965	1964	1963	1962
Leominster & Wigmore R.D.	2.19	1.46	1.15	1.46	1.25
England and Wales	1.60	1.41	1.37	1.71	1.57

CAUSES OF DEATH (all ages)

	Males	Females	Total
Malignant neoplasm, stomach	2	-	2
Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus	6	1	7
Malignant neoplasm, breast	-	1	1
Malignant neoplasm, uterus	-	1	1
Other malignant & lymphatic neoplasms	8	5	13
Leukaemia, aleukaemia	-	1	1
Vascular lesions of nervous system	11	4	15
Coronary disease, angina	8	9	17
Other heart disease	11	14	25
Other circulatory disease	4	3	7
Influenza	2	1	3
Pneumonia	4	7	11
Bronchitis	4	1	5
Other diseases of respiratory system	-	2	2
Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	-	1	1
Nephritis and nephrosis	1	1	2
Hyperplasia of prostate	1	-	1
Other defined and ill-defined diseases	1	6	7
Motor vehicle accidents	2	-	2
All other accidents	1	3	4
Suicide	2	-	2
	68	61	129

INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED IN THE LEOMINSTER & WIGMORE RURAL DISTRICT
DURING THE YEAR 1966

Disease	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	TOTAL
Whooping Cough	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	4	2	7
Measles	1	-	2	-	-	1	-	9	38	7	12	3	73
Scarlet Fever	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Erysipelas	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Acute Pneumonia	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	2
Acute Encephalitis:													
Infective	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Dysentery	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Food Poisoning	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	5

INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED IN NORTH HEREFORDSHIRE DURING THE YEAR 1966

Disease	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	TOTAL
Whooping Cough	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	3	26	6	37
Measles	52	8	4	5	2	2	3	15	39	21	35	85	271
Scarlet Fever	5	2	1	-	3	8	1	-	5	-	-	4	29
Erysipelas	-	1	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	4
Acute Encephalitis:													
Infective	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Acute Pneumonia	-	-	4	1	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	1	9
Dysentery	-	-	-	1	1	43	2	3	-	-	2	40	92
Food Poisoning	-	4	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	3	9
Tuberculosis:													
Pulmonary ⁴	1	-	-	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	4
Non-Pulmonary	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	3

NOTIFICATION OF INFECTIOUS DISEASECOMPARATIVE FIGURES FOR PREVIOUS YEARSLeominster & Wigmore Rural District

Disease	1966	1965	1964	1963	1962
Whooping Cough	7	3	36	11	11
Measles	73	123	225	10	141
Scarlet Fever	2	-	3	3	4
Erysipelas	1	2	1	2	2
Acute Pneumonia	2	2	3	6	6
Acute Encephalitis:					
Infective	2	-	-	2	2
Post-Infectious	-	-	-	-	2
Dysentery	1	3	3	4	-
Food Poisoning	5	5	12	2	3
Paratyphoid Fever	-	-	-	2	-
Tuberculosis:					
Pulmonary	-	1	2	3	1
Non-Pulmonary	-	1	-	-	1

North Herefordshire

Whooping Cough	37	5	70	29	13
Measles	271	525	609	507	337
Scarlet Fever	29	12	8	12	9
Erysipelas	4	3	2	3	5
Acute Encephalitis:					
Infective	2	-	-	2	2
Post-Infectious	-	-	-	1	2
Acute Pneumonia	9	3	8	13	15
Dysentery	92	6	3	7	1
Food Poisoning	9	8	14	7	5
Paratyphoid Fever	-	-	-	2	1
Puerperal Pyrexia	-	-	1	1	1
Tuberculosis:					
Pulmonary	4	8	10	9	7
Non-Pulmonary	3	3	3	1	2
Malaria (Contracted abroad)	-	-	-	-	1

NOTIFICATION OF INFECTIOUS DISEASECOMPARATIVE CASE RATES FOR CERTAIN INFECTIOUS DISEASES

Disease	North Here- fordshire	England & Wales
Whooping Cough	1.00	0.40
Measles	7.33	7.15
Scarlet Fever	0.78	0.44
Erysipelas	0.11	0.03
Acute Pneumonia	0.24	0.17
Dysentery	2.49	0.44
Food Poisoning	0.24	0.09
Tuberculosis:		
Pulmonary	0.11	0.26
Non-Pulmonary	0.08	0.04

TUBERCULOSIS

	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary	
	Males	Females	Males	Females
Number on Register at 31st December, 1965.	35	14	10	9
Moved out of District	1	-	-	-
Number on Register at 31st December, 1966.	34	14	10	9

TUBERCULOSIS (Continued)

Year	New Notifications	Total cases on Register	Deaths	Recoveries
1962	2	75	1	3
1963	3	72	1	3
1964	2	72	-	-
1965	2	68	-	-
1966	-	67	-	-

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948, Section 47NATIONAL ASSIATANCE (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1951

No action needed to be taken under this section during the year.

PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR'S SECTION OF REPORT

SUMMARY OF INSPECTIONS AND VISITS

Inspections of houses under Housing & Public Health Acts	92
Caravans	179
Overcrowding	2
Housing Applicants	56
Nuisances (other than drainage)	27
Drainage	54
Verminous premises	-
Water Supplies	289
Food Premises	17
Food vans and stalls	4
Slaughterhouses	98
Knackers Yard	5
Milk Regulations	19
Infectious Diseases and Food Poisoning	19
Factories Act	4
Refuse collection and disposal	46
Rodent Control	15
Petroleum Acts	60
Local Land Charges	27
Miscellaneous	155
Revisits	122
Offices, Shops & Railway Premises Act	5
Litter	12
Scrap Dealers	2
Pests	3

WATER SUPPLIES

Public Supplies

The Herefordshire Water Board are responsible for the various public undertakings in the district as follows:

Parish	Houses supplied direct	Houses sharing standpipes
Adforton	35	3
Aymestrey & Yatton	52	1
Leintwardine	163	9
Lingen	28	-
Luston	82	4
Orleton	72	-
Richards Castle	34	-
Shobdon	92	1
Wigmore	86	-

WATER SUPPLIES (Continued)Council House supplies taken over by Water Board

Parish	Houses supplied direct	Houses sharing standpipes
Bodenham	16	-
Brimfield	27	-
Kimbolton	13	-
Little Hereford	8	3
Lucton	9	-
Monkland	11	-

Periodical sampling of the Board's supplies is carried out and the water submitted for bacteriological examination. Where evidence of contamination is found the Water Board is informed and immediate steps taken to render the water safe.

Regular samples were taken from the Richards Castle supply during the year and for a very short period during the summer it was found to be unsatisfactory. The Water Board took steps to rectify the situation.

The schemes for supplying Kingsland, Yarpole, Bircher, Leinthall Starkes, Monkland, Kimbolton, Leysters, Pudleston and Middleton with mains water were completed, but no connections were made to the supply serving the last four villages.

Due to restrictions on capital expenditure the scheme for Stoke Prior, Risbury, Eye and Moreton were delayed and the date of commencement is not known.

The task of checking individual supplies in the area now served by mains water is considerable, and will take a long time to complete under present circumstances of restricted sampling.

Other Water Supplies

Throughout the district a number of houses are without individual water supply, and in parts without main supplies: water is mainly from shallow wells and springs, often not of a satisfactory quality.

Water Sampling

Two hundred and twentythree samples of water were taken for bacteriological examination during the year and sent to the laboratory at Hereford. These produced the following results:

	<u>Satisfactory</u>	<u>Unsatisfactory</u>
Main	54	19
Private	85	82

PUBLIC SWIMMING BATHS

There are no public swimming baths in the district.

DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGEPublic Sewers, other than Council House Estates

Location	Number of dwellings connected	Sewage Disposal
Brampton Bryan	27	Septic tank
Kingsland	85	Settlement & Filtration
Leintwardine	159	Septic tank
Shobdon	48	Settlement & Filtration
Wigmore	82	Land irrigation

The Kingsland sewerage scheme was completed during the year and houses connected to the old sewer ditch were connected to the new sewer.

Work started on the Luston and Yarpole scheme and was well advanced by the end of the year.

The Leintwardine scheme was started in August.

An enquiry was held by an inspector of the Ministry of Housing and Local Government into the Brimfield, Orleton and Richards Castle scheme, as a result of which permission was granted to obtain tenders for the Orleton section and part of the sewage disposal works. Work had not started at the end of the year.

The Council's programme for sewerage the main villages includes the provision or improvement of public sewers in Bodenham, Wigmore, Brampton Bryan, Monkland, Stoke Prior, Shobdon and Kimbolton.

Public sewers are also required in Aymestrey, Hope-under-Dinmore, and Lingen, and the provision of mains water supplies to Leinthall Starkes and Leysters may reveal a need for sewers in these villages also. In the case of Leysters this may well be sufficiently great as to require some degree of priority.

Sewage disposal works on Council house estates have received frequent inspection. These plants are working satisfactorily. The contents of the settling tanks and humus tanks are removed at regular intervals.

In the remainder of the district sewage disposal at individual premises where facilities exist, is mainly by private septic tank, and in other cases pail closets and some privvies are in use.

DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE (Continued)

Cesspool emptying throughout the district is at present carried out by private contractors upon payment. When the schemes at present in progress and in design are completed, approximately one quarter of the houses in the district will have a sewer available. The cost to the Council of providing and maintaining these sewers is borne by the ratepayers as a whole, and it would appear equitable that ratepayers of properties where main drainage is not available should be provided with some service for cesspool emptying, the cost of which is either wholly or in part a charge upon the rates.

REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL

A curbside collection of refuse is operated by the Council fortnightly throughout the district. All refuse is disposed of by tipping at Shobdon, Brimfield and Risbury.

The amount of refuse collected continues to increase and a very large number of unsatisfactory receptacles are still in use, the comments made on this subject in my report for 1965 still apply.

Weekly cleansing of lay-bys on the A.49 trunk road and on other classified roads is undertaken on behalf of the County Council. Due to road improvements the number of lay-bys has increased, and from time to time accumulations of refuse left by itinerant traders has to be removed from these new lay-bys.

HOUSING

40 houses were completed by the Council during the year, 38 at Hope-under-Dinmore, and two at Steens Bridge.

24 private houses were completed within the district and two dwellings provided by conversion.

Inspection of Dwelling Houses during the year

(1) (a) Total number of dwelling houses inspected for housing defects under the Public Health and Housing Acts	..	81
(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose	..	92
(2) (a) Number of houses found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation	..	66

Houses dealt with under Section 42 of the Housing Act, 1957

Number of Clearance Areas	..	.1
Number of houses in area	..	10

Houses dealt with under Sections 16 and 17 of the Housing Act, 1957

Demolition Orders made	..	7
Closing Orders made	..	8
Undertakings accepted	..	14

HOUSING (Continued)Notices Issued

Informal	.. 15
Statutory	.. Nil

Action under Statutory Notices during the Year

Proceedings under Public Health Acts	.. Nil
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Improvement Grants

Discretionary Grants approved	.. 19
Standard Grants approved	.. 30

Unfit Houses

One Clearance Area was represented and declared during 1966, this is at Leysters and comprises Nos. 1 to 6 Quarry Row, and four cottages adjacent. Seven families totalling 27 persons were in occupation at the time the area was declared a Clearance Area.

Apart from this, activity in connection with unfit housing was confined to those unfit houses which were found to be vacant or from which the occupants were about to be re-housed. Although this creates fewer difficulties and less disturbance, it is only nibbling at the problem in the district.

During the forthcoming year it is expected that a start will be made on new houses to be constructed at Orleton, Luston, Kingsland and Leintwardine.

Council Houses

Parish	Name of Housing Estate	Number of dwellings	Source of Water Supply	Sewage Disposal
Adforton	Orchard Close	6	Borehole (HWB)	Complete works
Aymestrey	Council Houses	2	River (HWB)	Septic tank
Bodenham	Caldervale	10	Borehole (HWB)	Complete works
Bodenham	Old houses	4	Borehole (HWB)	Complete works
Brimfield	Wyson Avenue	24	Borehole (HWB)	Complete works
Brimfield	Old Council Houses	2	Shallow	Septic tank

Council Houses (Continued)

Parish	Name of Housing Estate	Number of dwellings	Source of Water Supply	Sewage Disposal
Hope-under-Dinmore	Hill View	4	Shallow well	Septic tank
Hope-under-Dinmore	Cherry Brook Close	38	Borehole	Complete works
Humber	Humber close	29	Borehole	Complete works
Kimbolton	Chestnut Avenue	12	Borehole (HWB)	Complete works
Kimbolton	New Road	2	Shallow well	Septic tank
Kingsland	Boarsfield	12	Shallow well	Public sewer
Kingsland	Old Council Houses	6	Shallow well	Public sewer
Kingsland	Hostel	6	Shallow well	Septic tank
Leintwardine	Rosemary	12	Shallow well (HWB)	Septic tank (Public sewer)
Lingen	Council Houses	4	Borehole (HWB)	Septic tank
Little Hereford	Temple Meadow	8	Borehole (HWB)	Complete works
Little Hereford	Aynall Lane	2	Spring	Septic tank
Little Hereford	Old Council Houses	4	Shallow well	Cesspool
Luston	Westland View	12	Borehole (HWB)	Complete works
Luston	Eye Lane	4	Shallow well	Cesspool
Luton	St. Peter's Square	6	Land spring (HWB)	Complete works
Monkland	Bakerlea	10	Borehole (HWB)	Complete works
Orleton	Green Lane	10	Borehole (HWB)	Complete works
Orleton	Halletts Well	12	Shallow well	Septic tank

Council Houses (Continued)

Parish	Name of Housing Estate	Number of dwellings	Source of Water Supply	Sewage Disposal
Richards Castle	Springfield	10	Borehole (HWB)	Complete works
Shobdon	The Grove	30	River (HWB)	Public sewer
Wigmore	Old Council Houses	8	Borehole (HWB)	Land irrigation (Public sewer)
Wigmore	Ford Street	16	Borehole (HWB)	Land irrigation (Public sewer)
Yarpole	James Close	8	Shallow well	Septic tank

HWB - Herefordshire Water Board.

OVERCROWDING

One case of overcrowding, in a Council house, was investigated during the year and the occupants re-housed in a larger house. Another long standing case was also abated by rehousing the family in a Council house.

CARAVAN SITES AND CONTROL OF DEVELOPMENT ACT, 1960

There are 19 permanent and temporary residential sites in the district licenced for a total of 32 caravans. During the year five licences were renewed and four new licences were issued in respect of these sites. In five cases the sites were licenced pending the erection of dwellings.

In addition to the above, there are 12 sites, catering for 74 caravans, approved for holiday purposes in respect of which three renewal licences were issued during the year.

Difficulty is still experienced with caravans in lay-bys and on Commons. These generally present a public health hazard due to the lack of sanitary accommodation and fouling of the ground in the vicinity of the vans. As long as these people continue their present way of life, these caravans will be in the district from time to time. During the year a conference was convened by the County Council to consider this problem. The Leominster and Wigmore R.D.C. was the only local authority to acknowledge that a problem existed in their area. The Council agreed to investigate the possibility of establishing a pilot site in the district.

During the year proceedings were instituted against the occupier of a house at Brimfield for permitting land to be used as a caravan site without a licence. The Court found in favour of the Council and the caravan was removed. Unfortunately, it was removed to another unlicensed site and further visits had to be made to secure its removal.

CAMPING

There is still no camping problem within the district, although provision of a transit site for tents and vans is probably called for.

FACTORIES AND WORKSHOPSFactories Acts 1937 and 1948

Premises	Number on Register	Number of		
		Inspections	Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted
(1) Factories in which Secs. 1,2,3,4, and 6 are to be enforced by L.A.	19	-	-	-
(2) Factories not included in (1) in which Sec.7 is enforced by L.A.	35	4	-	-
(3) Other Premises in which Sec.7 is enforced by L.A.	3	-	-	-

Cases in which defects were found:

	<u>Found</u>	<u>Remedied</u>
Sanitary Conveniences: Insufficient and defective	1	3*

(*2 outstanding from previous year)

There are no factories in the district known to employ outworkers and no notifications of outworkers within the district were received.

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

Seventeen inspections were made at various foodshops in the district.

The undermentioned food was condemned as being unfit for human consumption:

Meat 477 lb.

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD (Continued)Food Premises

The following table lists the various food premises within the district, and indicates the number complying with Regulation 16 of the Food Hygiene (General) Regulations, 1960, requiring the provision of a wash-hand basin, and Regulation 19, requiring the provision of a sink in certain cases.

Type of Trade	Number of Premises	Number complying with Reg. 16	Number to which Reg. 19 applies	Number complying with Reg. 19
(a) Grocers (incl. sale of fruit, fish, game, vegetables, and pre-packed sugar confectionery)	31	18	9	7
(b) Restaurants and catering establishments (other than those in (c) below)	6	4	6	5
(c) Licenced Premises (Hotels, Inns and Clubs)	32	24	32	32
(d) Bakers and Confectioners	2	1	2	2
(e) Butchers	3	2	3	3
(f) Central Kitchen for School Meals	1	1	1	1

Number of Food Premises Registered under
Section 16 of the Food and Drugs Act, 1955

Sale of Ice-Cream (including premises above) .. 37

Preparation or Manufacture of sausages, or
potted, pressed, pickled or preserved food

Butchers .. 1

Milk Supply

The whole of the district is a specified area under the Food and Drugs Act, 1955, and only heat treated and T.T. milk (now called Untreated milk) is allowed to be sold retail.

The heat treated milk retailed in the district is supplied to the retailers by three firms outside the area. Untreated (farm bottled) milk is supplied by several local farmers.

There are five dairies (excluding farm dairies) registered under the Milk and Dairies (General) Regulations, 1959.

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD (Continued)Milk Supply (Continued)

During the year ten samples of raw milk were taken from producer/retailers and submitted to the Public Health Laboratory at Worcester for tests to be carried out for the presence of *M. tuberculosis* and *Brucella Abortus*. All samples proved to be negative.

SLAUGHTERHOUSES

Inspection of 100% of all animals killed in the slaughterhouse was carried out.

	Cattle excluding Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Horses
Number killed	161	-	-	715	116	-
Number inspected	161	-	-	715	116	-
<u>All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci</u>						
Whole carcasses condemned	-	-	-	1	-	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	36	-	-	76	13	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with diseases other than tuberculosis and cysticerci	22.4%	-	-	10.8%	11.2%	-
<u>Tuberculosis only</u>						
Whole carcasses condemned, and carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	2	-
<u>Cysticercosis</u>						
Whole carcasses condemned, and carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	1	-	-	-	-	-

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD (Continued)Poultry Inspection

There are no poultry processing establishments within the district which produce dressed birds, but two establishments kill and pluck poultry for sale regularly.

PETROLEUM LICENCING

Sixtyseven licences were renewed during the year and one new licence was issued.

Many licencees were found not to be complying with the conditions attached to their licences, but in most cases informal action was successful.

OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

Although this Act came into force in 1964, there are still premises within the district which have not applied for registration despite the publicity given in the press and on television.

There were no accidents reported under Section 48 of the Act.

Table A. Registrations and General Inspections

Class of Premises	No. of premises registered during the year	Total registered premises at end of the year	No. of registered premises receiving general inspection during the year
Offices	1	6	Nil
Retail Shops	-	8	1
Wholesale Shops, Warehouses	-	Nil	Nil
Catering establishments open to the public, canteens	-	1	1
Fuel Storage depots	-	1	Nil

Table B. Number of Visits of all kinds by Inspector to Registered Premises

OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963 (Continued)Table C. Analysis of Persons employed in Registered Premises or Workplace

Class of Workplace	Number of persons employed
Offices	42
Retail Shops	38
Wholesale departments, warehouses	Nil
Catering establishments open to the public	3
Canteens	2
Fuel Storage Depots	2
TOTAL	87

Total Males : 55

Total Females : 32

Table D. Exemptions

Part I	Space (Sec. 5 (2))	Nil
Part II	Temperature (Sec. 6)	Nil
Part III	Sanitary Convenience (Sec. 9)	Nil
Part IV	Washing Facilities (Sec. 10)	Nil

Table E. Prosecutions

NIL

Table F. Inspectors

Number of Inspectors appointed under Section 52(1) or (5) of the Act:	One
Number of other staff employed for most of their time on work in connection with the Act:	Nil

PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT, 1949

All local authority refuse tips are treated at regular intervals for rats and vermin, and sewer outfalls received treatment when infested.

PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT, 1949 (Continued)

PROPERTIES OTHER THAN SEWERS	TYPE OF PROPERTY	
	Non-Agricultural	Agricultural
1. Number of properties in district	2129	1065
2. (a) Total number of properties (including nearby premises) inspected following notification	26	4
(b) Number infested by:		
(i) Rats	24	4
(ii) Mice	-	-
3. (a) Total number of properties inspected for rats and/or mice for reasons other than notification	3	Nil
(b) Number infested by:		
(i) Rats	2	Nil
(ii) Mice	1	Nil

